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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF GEORGE CHESTER AND JEFFREY H. SMITH

1. FOR USBERLIN: CHESTER, EUR/CE, WILL ARRIVE IN BERLIN FROM LIVE OAK HQ ON WEDNESDAY, SEPT 14. CHESTER HAS PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED HARNACK HOUSE RESERVATIONS, TO DEPART SEP 19.

2. SMITH, L/M, WILL ARRIVE IN BERLIN ON SUNDAY, SEPT 18 PAN AM 106, ARRIVING BERLIN 1:05 P.M. REQUEST ROOM AT HARNACK HOUSE NIGHT OF 18TH.

3. SMITH AND CHESTER WISH TO DEPART BERLIN FOR BONN ABOARD BE 4093 AT 6:15 P.M., MONDAY, SEPT 19. REQUEST  
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MISSION MAKE PLANE RESERVATIONS.

4. FOR BONN: CHESTER HAS PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED RESERVATIONS AT HOTEL ARREVA, TO DEPART SEP 22. REQUEST RESERVATIONS FOR SMITH AT ARREVA NIGHTS OF 19TH AND 20TH.

5. PURPOSE OF CHESTER AND SMITH VISIT TO BERLIN AND BONN

IS TO DISCUSS BDCV. BROWN AND OTHER SOFO RELATED PROBLEMS.

6. FOR LONDON: SMITH WILL DEPART COLOGNE ON SEPT 21 ON

LUFTHANSA 58 ARRIVING HEATHROW 1:40 P.M. AND WILL DEPART LONDON FOR WASHINGTON ON SEPT 24 ON PAN AM 107. DOES NOT NEED TO BE MET AT HEATHROW, BUT WILL REQUIRE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS IN MODERATE HOTEL HOPEFULLY CLOSE TO EMBASSY OR WHITEHALL. CONCORD HOTEL HAS BEEN SUGGESTED.

7. PURPOSE OF SMITH TRIP IS TO CONSULT WITH OFFICIALS OF FOREIGN OFFICE, AND OTHERS AS APPROPRIATE, CONCERNING INTELLIGENCE/LEGAL PROBLEMS OF CONCERN TO HMG. SMITH IS ATTORNEY IN OFFICE OF LEGAL ADVISER RESPONSIBLE FOR INTELLIGENCE AND RELATED LEGAL PROBLEMS. TOPICS IN WHICH THE BRITISH HAVE EXPRESSED POSSIBLE INTEREST INCLUDE THE EXPERIENCES OF THE LAST TWO YEARS WITH RESPECT TO CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATIONS OF INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES, THE EXECUTIVE ORDER GOVERNING INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES (AND ITS CURRENT REVISION), CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT (INCLUDING UPCOMING HEARINGS ON THE ACTIVITIES OF FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES IN THE U.S., PROPOSED LEGISLATION ON ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE (INCLUDING LEGISLATION APPLYING TO ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE CONDUCTED OVERSEAS), AND FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT PROBLEMS.

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8. THESE CONSULTATIONS WERE SUGGESTED DURING VISIT OF SIR RICHARD SYKES, CHAIRMAN JIC, DURING HIS VISIT TO WASHINGTON LAST MARCH, AND HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGED BY MICHAEL PIKE OF BRITISH EMBASSY HERE. SCHEDULING OF CONSULTATIONS WOULD SEEM BEST LEFT TO BRITISH, THAT IS, SMITH WILL BE AVAILABLE TO TALK TO WHOMEVER THEY THINK MOST APPROPRIATE. PIKE WILL RETURN TO WASHINGTON FROM HOME LEAVE ON MONDAY, SEPT 12 AND WILL PROBABLY BE IN TOUCH WITH FO TO SUGGEST VISITS. SIMILAR CONTACTS BEING ARRANGED THROUGH NSA. INR SUGGESTS ROGER HERVEY ON STAFF OF PUSD WOULD BE APPROPRIATE CONTACT AND/OR STARTING POINT IN F.O.

9. REQUEST EMBASSY LONDON ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE IN WORKING OUT ITINERARY FOR SMITH AND ADVISING DEPARTMENT OF POINT OF CONTACT FOR SMITH IN EMBASSY. VANCE

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